

Building a Foundation of Primary Care for North Carolina

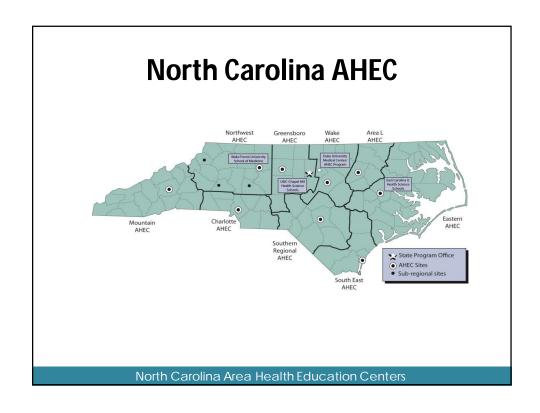
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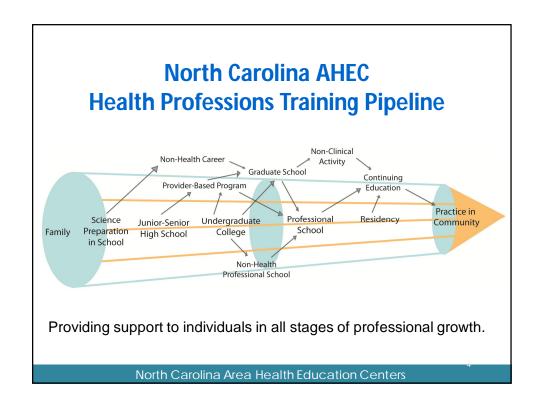
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Transformation of Care in NC

- Need for great improvement in costeffectiveness, quality and patient experience
- Dramatic integration of care—
 - 142 to 24 hospitals in two years
 - 196 to 4 cardiology practices in 18 months
 - EPIC and Cerner spread across state
- Consensus about need to develop a foundation of robust primary care and strategy for improving population health





NC Medical Students: Graduates in Primary Care After Five Years What is Class of 2007 Doing in 2012?

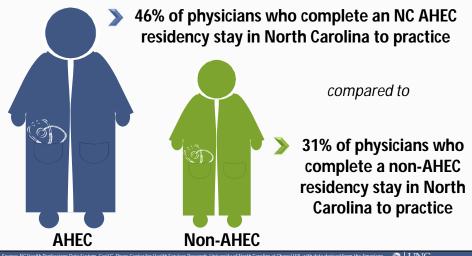
School	2007 Graduates	% in Primary Care (Anywhere in US)	% in Primary Care (in NC)
Duke	91	25%	7%
ECU	60	48%	28%
UNC-Chapel Hill	155	35%	16%
Wake Forest	105	25%	8%
Total	411	32%	14%

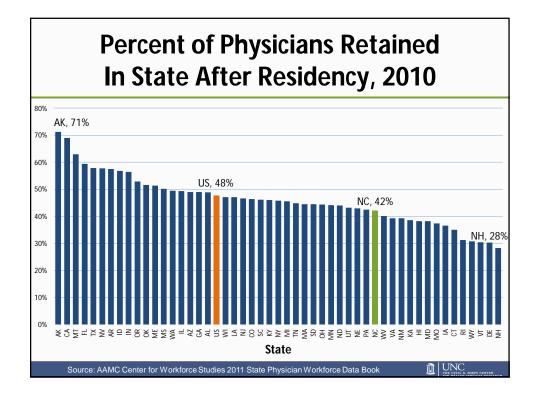
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Where a Physician Completed Residency is a Predictor of Retention in NC 46% of physicians who complete an NC AHEC residency stay in North Carolina to practice





What are we doing about it? UNC School of Medicine

- Expansion to 180/year, increasing underrepresented minorities to 20%
- Longitudinal curricula in Asheville and Charlotte
- Rural and Underserved Scholars
- Begun tracking outcomes of admissions
- Considering shortening training

Recommendations NC AHEC

Pipeline

- Increase community based primary care residencies, with funding split between the state, the institution and private sources
- Develop programs for further training for NPs/PAs for primary care
- Establish state board to track workforce and approve new residencies

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Recommendations NC AHEC

- Practice Environment
 - Primary Care Extension Program, supporting quality improvement and practice change, electronic records, continuing education and recruiting
 - Working with community colleges and health systems, develop training programs and career ladders for office based care

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- Broader environment
 - Payment reform, taking away incentives for volume and procedures, capitalizing primary care
 - Across insurers
 - Support team based care organized around practices via licensure flexibility